

## FOOTBALL BEEF AS WELL AS BRAINS FEATURE COACH MEETING IN GOTHAM

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(United Press Staff Correspondent.)

New York, Dec. 28.—Football beef as well as football brains was much in evidence at the second annual meeting of the American Association of Football Coaches. Great mentors of the sport and former stars whose names are graven deeply on the tablets of football history crowded the anteroom, renewing old acquaintances and making new ones.

The meeting seemed slightly handicapped by the youth of the organization. It has developed so rapidly in the last year that it has almost outgrown itself, and a great majority of the members were content to leave the discussion to a few of the oldtimers and founders of the association.

The coaches, it seemed, did not as yet wish to exert to any great extent the strong influence that such an organization would hold over the American game, but it is believed that when the organization "hits its stride" it will be the greatest factor toward moulding and improving football.

Interest of the meeting was centered chiefly on the report of the rules committee, headed by Major Daly of West Point, which proposed several changes in the rules.

It was evident from the start that none of the coaches was in favor of changes involving an increased pen-

alty. The suggestion to prohibit clipping from the rear and side lines to impose a penalty of 25 yards for such infractions was promptly voted down, as was the motion to increase the penalty for delaying the game. When it was evident that the motion to impose a 25-yard penalty for interfering with the catcher of a punt, by not giving him a clear path to the ball, would have met the same fate, the motion was laid on the table.

One of the most significant actions taken by the coaches was the approval of the try for point after touchdown that has been in use this year. All seemed to feel that the new rule had received a fair trial and that, if it did not fulfill all the requirements, it would at least do until something better could be suggested.

In this connection John W. Heisman of Pennsylvania suggested that in event of a tie game both teams be given three extra downs and that the eleven which succeeded in advancing the ball the greatest distance should be allowed the extra point to decide the game.

Frank O'Neill, former Columbia coach, also suggested that a tie game should be decided in favor of the team which made the greatest number of first downs.

Neither suggestion met with the approval of a majority.

operating a league franchise in Chickasha.

Vacant lots on West Choctaw avenue near Line creek have been suggested as the logical location for a downtown ball park. Considerable "filling in" would be necessary, but with a few thousand dollars these lots could be transformed into a first-class athletic field. It could be leased to carnival companies and other such attractions after the close of the baseball season. And it also could be used as a football field.

It is a general belief that the location of the baseball plant at Grady field was partly responsible for the small attendance at the baseball games here last summer. Those who did not have automobiles often found it necessary to walk over the viaduct or hire a service car to take them to the park. The Choctaw avenue location is within easy walking distance from the downtown district and a large part of the residence section. It would be only a few minutes' walk from the heart of the city's business district.

Many oil men and oil field workers who were among Duncan's best fans last year are now living in Chickasha. Baseball-magnates who are considering a franchise here may take cognizance of this fact.

While Chickasha probably will be forced to content itself with checkers and dominoes this summer, it is not altogether impossible for an Oklahoma State league franchise to be reinstated here.

## Land Bad Man in Jail After Bout With Posse Today

(By The United Press.)

Wellsburg, W. Va., Dec. 28.—Follansbee's bad man was safely behind the bars in the Brooks county jail here today.

Joe Jones, who waged a desperate battle with a sheriff's posse in the hills near Follansbee in which his house was bombarded with machine gun fire, was finally captured, with a bullet in his leg.

More than one thousand shots were fired, and residents of Follansbee suspected work to watch the fight, which lasted over an hour.

Jones, a tinworker, resisted arrest on a charge preferred by his wife that she was compelled to sign over all her property to him under threat of death.

## Search Ships for Bergdoll, Reports Say He's Due Soon

(By The United Press.)

Pensacola, Fla., Dec. 28.—All incoming vessels were being searched by harbor police today for Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, noted slacker, reported to have left Germany on a boat bound for a Gulf port.

German authorities, in telegraphic dispatches received here last night, said Bergdoll had left Germany.

Later reports stated that Bergdoll is working as a member of the crew of the German steamer Jupiter, which is to dock at the port here in a few days.

## Coast Guard Cutter to Reach Stranded Vessel for Rescue

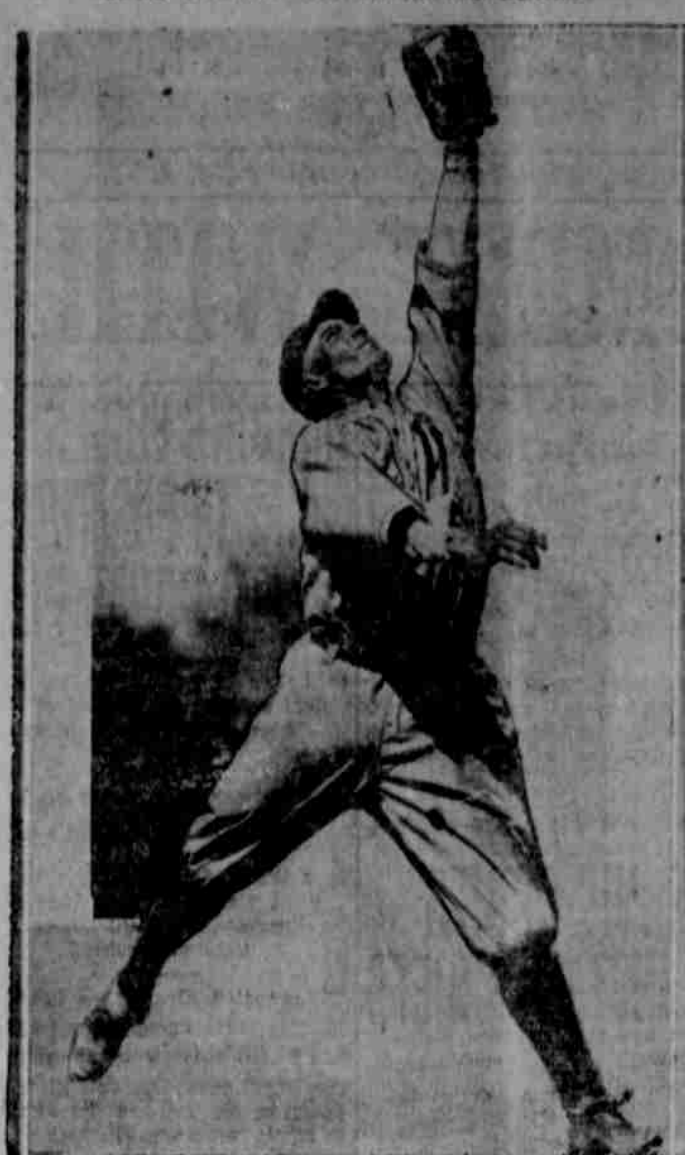
(By The United Press.)

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 28.—The coast guard cutter Modoc was scheduled to reach the liner Santa Rosa, which went ashore yesterday off the south side of the Charleston jetty, late today.

Aid of the government cutter was requested after five tugs failed to pull the steamer off the rocks.

A heavy sea was running this

## Has Connie Mack Gone Mad?



The wily leader of the Athletics who has been specializing in selling players for juicy sums, has now dug down to the extent of \$75,000 for Sammy Hale, third-baseman of the Portland, Ore., team of the Pacific Coast league. Hale batted .365 last season and is ranked close to Kamm for whom the White Sox paid \$100,000. Hale will play third for Philadelphia and Dykes will be moved to second.

morning, but the protection of the jetty will prevent serious damage to the vessel. The crew is in no danger.

The Santa Rosa was bound from Charleston to Chilean ports with a cargo of nitrates.

## FIRE DAMAGE AT ERIE RUNS HIGH

Blaze Starts in Theatre; Spreads Despite Efforts of Fire Fighters; Gained Headway Before Was Discovered.

(By The United Press.)

Erie, Pa., Dec. 28.—The entire Erie fire department was called out to fight a blaze which entirely destroyed a large business building near the Union depot today. Because of the heavy wind and sleet storm the fire gained rapid headway and firemen were unable to save the Aris theater. They devoted their efforts to adjoining small buildings.

The theater, a total loss, suffered to the extent of \$50,000, and damage to nearby buildings will total \$25,000.

(By The United Press.)

Erie, Pa., Dec. 28.—A fire which at 8 a. m. today has caused damage estimated at \$1,000,000 is sweeping through the business section here.

All fire apparatus in the city has been called out and city officials are discussing the need of sending to other cities for help.

The blaze was first discovered in a theater. Although the first fire companies arrived a minute after the fire was noticed by a pedestrian, the blaze had gained such headway that it spread to the next building before the firemen could stretch a line of hose.

TO AUDIT HOUSTON-FIBLE.

(By The United Press.)

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 28.—Creditors of Houston-Fible & Co., brokers, expected to receive an audit of the firm's condition. A committee of creditors expected to have the audit complete and present plans for whatever action is considered necessary.

BREAKS ALL RECORDS.

"Back Home and Broke," New Melham Picture, Real Comedy.

More than one record was broken in the photoplay "Back Home and Broke," which George Ade wrote for Thomas Melham, and which comes to the Rialto theatre tomorrow. The picture is said to have more laughs to the reel than any film ever made by Paramount. It also has more well known small town characters crammed into it in true Ade style than most pictures of a more or less rural type.

And it has a banquet, not the Broadway variety with professional dancers and cigarette-smoking women, but a small town banquet to celebrate the hero's homecoming to Bradford. Tom Redding, having proved himself a success in spite of the gloomy predictions of his townsmen, has invited all his friends and enemies to a feast, so that he may repay each according to his deserts. The assemblage includes the newly appointed chief of police,

## SEARCH RUINS OF MILL FOR BODIES

(By The United Press.)

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 28.—Rescue squads dug into the ruins of the Schreiber Manufacturing and Cereal Company plant today following a fire which injured twenty-seven workers and threatened a general conflagration yesterday.

Men trapped in the burning building and other witnesses insisted they saw four workers topple into the flames from a perch on the roof.

Sixteen persons were still in hospitals here today as a result of injuries received in the fire. Two were in a critical condition.

POLICEMAN KILLS ROBBER.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—An unidentified robber was shot and killed today by Policeman Maurice Cronin. The man was fleeing with a companion after breaking into the Deltano Beauty Shop. The companion escaped.

MUCH MOOTCH FLOWING.

Oklahoma City, Dec. 28.—Booze—all colors, flavors and mixtures—flowed freely here today. Sheriff Ben Dancy goes out of office the first of the new year and has 500 gallons of liquor which he is letting flow—into the sewer.

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Diamond Roach, age 29, of Chickasha, and Miss Ruby Massey, age 19, of Chickasha.  
Corbit R. Charlton, age 27, of Cozar, and Miss Ruby May Garrett, age 18, of Cozar.

**ANNOUNCEMENT.**  
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## SPORT TABS

(By The United Press.)

New York, Dec. 28.—The 1923 army-navy gridiron battle will be staged in New York City, according to the announcement of Colonel U. J. Koehler, who is in charge of physical education at West Point. The formal approval of the athletic authorities is all that is needed to complete the arrangements.

New York, Dec. 28.—Charlie White, recent lightweight victor over Ritchie Mitchell, is scheduled to meet Rocky Kansas. The formal approval of the athletic authorities is all that is needed to complete the arrangements.

Pays Tribute to Fire Department.

Mrs. William Inman, 925 Dakota avenue, this morning paid a glowing tribute to the Chickasha fire department. Early this week Mrs. Inman discovered a fast-spreading blaze in the garage at the Inman home. In less than ten minutes after the fire department received the call the firemen, under the direction of Chief Gattis, had extinguished the blaze and were reloading the hose used in combating the fire, she said. The run was a distance of ten blocks and the fire was extinguished with a loss of only \$40. "I think this was great work on the part of the fire department," Mrs. Inman said this morning. "One cannot appreciate this very efficient department until one sees them in action as I saw them. I think Chickasha can justly be proud of its fire department and the manner in which it is conducted."

## Looking 'Em Over

By Phil

Warm weather during the past few days inspired much newspaper comment concerning prospects for the 1923 baseball season. Occasionally the Oklahoma State league, organized baseball's infant, is mentioned. One optimistic writer pointed to Chickasha's failure in two leagues, the Western association and the Oklahoma State, but opined: "There is no reason why Chickasha should not be a good baseball town. Being one of the largest cities in the state, it should support an inexpensive Class D franchise with ease. Discovery of a great gas field near the Grady county seat has brought many new people to the city. Chickasha should now be able to support a baseball club without any difficulty."

While it is true that the Chickasha gas field has brought many new residents to the city, and that Chickasha is considerably larger than the 1920 federal census indicates, it is a certainty that no attempt to maintain a club as a community project and the property of the fans will be made here in 1923. The sting and wounds of failures in the past have never healed, and no one who has been previously identified with professional baseball in Chickasha will have courage enough to identify himself with any such project here any time in the near future. That is a certainty.

Chickasha's only hopes of being in a professional baseball league next season rest with the possibility of some individual, with ample finances or financial backing, putting in a franchise here and operating it as a business enterprise, with the anticipation of the city growing to such an extent that the franchise will become valuable property. Such a person undoubtedly would find some encouragement here. It is known that more than one person with plenty of financial backing have considered the building of a downtown ball park and athletic field here with a view of